

Scheduling Package Refactoring API

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Abstract

As part of the Open Source EHR Refactoring project, we have continued working on refactoring the Scheduling module code. This document is to describe what we have done in term of code changes for all interested stakeholders.

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1. Introduction

The overarching goal of any code changes we implement is to make the VistA code more modular and readable without altering functionality. *Problem List* was chosen as the first module to be refactored because it has a moderate number of dependencies to other packages, allowing our team to finalize a refactoring strategy and allocate ample time for certification. To date, we have completed a *Problem List* application programming interface (API) that is used both by the roll-and-scroll interface and CPRS.

With the lessons learned from *Problem List*, we are now applying these and our refactoring methodology to *Scheduling*. This module has a significant number of dependencies to other VistA packages, and thus requires an increased concentration to the interactions it has within the system and how we will develop an API. Our team has prepared a dependency document [*RGI_Open Source EHR Refactoring Services_Scheduling Dependency Notes.docx*] outlining these interactions and it is available on our project page on the OSEHRA website [<http://www.osehra.org/group/ehr-refactoring-services>]. We have

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specifically chosen this module in order to align with VA's active search into improving scheduling functionality within VistA; any refactoring completed by our project team should be helpful to future *Scheduling* design and implementation efforts..

Scheduling has a well-defined API for the core information that is being used by its dependent packages; details on this API may be found in the PIMS Technical Manual [<http://www.va.gov/vdl/documents/Clinical/Scheduling/pimstm.pdf>]. However, this API is read-only, meaning it provides the ability to view currently scheduled appointments but is not being used by the roll-and-scroll interface. Currently there appears to be no API for the core *Scheduling* functionality of making appointments, check-ins and check-outs, etc.

There is an additional API that is being used by the Primary Care Management module, *Managed Care*. This module does not deal directly with the core *Scheduling* functionality, and thus its interactions with the module can be considered unique and separate; it has a graphical user interface (GUI) and gets/sets its associated data through RPC tags within the *Scheduling* module.

Additionally, we found that there are a number of packages that currently use globals belonging to *Scheduling* directly. Details on these packages can be found in the dependency notes document. (Within the roll-and-scroll interface, routines using globals directly is considered the norm, not the exception.)

Since there is a well-defined API for reading *Scheduling* data, we have focused on the roll-and-scroll interface that is being used for making, changing, or editing appointments. Most of this core functionality resides under the Appointment Management option. We have applied the methodology used for *Problem List* and developed an API that is capable of exposing most of the functionality of the Appointment Management menu. Similar to the API created for *Problem List*, we have worked to minimize direct global access and the number of assumed variables within the *Scheduling* API.

2. Code Walkthrough

Several APIs were developed during the refactoring effort. They are described below.

2.1 Clinic management API

Unless otherwise noted all date formats are internal FileMan format (e.g. 3120121 = Jan 21, 2012).

\$\$GETCLN^SDMAPI1() - Return Clinic details

This extrinsic function returns detailed information on a clinic.

Format

\$\$GETCLN^SDMAPI1(.RETURN,CLN)

Input Parameters

.RETURN	[Required,Array] Array passed by reference that will receive the data. All fields are returned as internal_format^external_format. Fields returned:
RETURN("CREDIT STOP CODE")	[Numeric] Pointer to CLINIC STOP file
RETURN("DEFAULT APPOINTMENT TYPE")	[Numeric] Pointer to APPOINTMENT TYPE file
RETURN("DISPLAY INCREMENTS PER HOUR")	[Numeric] 1:60-MIN, 2:30-MIN, 4:15-MIN, 3:20-MIN, 6:10-MIN
RETURN("HOUR CLINIC DISPLAY BEGINS")	[Numeric]
RETURN("INACTIVATE DATE")	[DateTime]
RETURN("LENGTH OF APP'T")	[Numeric]
RETURN("MAX # DAYS FOR AUTO-REBOOK")	[Numeric]
RETURN("MAX # DAYS FOR FUTURE BOOKING")	[Numeric]
RETURN("NAME")	[String]
RETURN("NON-COUNT CLINIC?")	[String] Y:YES,N:NO
RETURN("OVERBOOKS/DAY MAXIMUM")	[Numeric]
RETURN("PRIVILEGED USER",IEN) –	[Numeric] List of users that have the right to make appointments.
RETURN("PROHIBIT ACCESS TO CLINIC?")	[String] Y:YES

RETURN("REACTIVATE DATE")	[DateTime] Date clinic was reactivated
RETURN("SCHEDULE ON HOLIDAYS?")	[String] Y:YES
RETURN("STOP CODE NUMBER")	[Numeric] Three digit stop code number assigned to specific location
RETURN("TYPE")	[String] Type of clinic (one of the codes returned by LSTHLTP^SDMAPI1)
RETURN("VARIABLE APP'NTMENT LENGTH")	[String] V:YES
CLN	[Required,Numeric] Clinic IEN

Output

A Boolean value signaling if the call was successful or not.

Error Codes Returned

None

\$\$LSTCLNS^SDMAPI1() - Return clinics filtered by name

This extrinsic function returns a list of clinics filtered by name.

Format

\$\$LSTCLNS^SDMAPI1(.RETURN,SEARCH,.START,NUMBER)

Input Parameters

.RETURN [Required,Array] Array passed by reference that will receive the data.

RETURN(,"ID") – [Numeric] Clinic IEN

RETURN(,"NAME") – [String] Clinic name

SEARCH [Optional,String] Partial match restriction. Default: All entries

.START [Required,Numeric] The clinic name from which to begin the list.

NUMBER [Optional,Numeric] Number of entries to return. Default: All entries

Output

A Boolean value signaling if the call was successful or not.

Error Codes Returned

None

\$\$SLOTS^SDMAPI1() – Get available slots

This extrinsic function returns the available slots for a clinic.

Format

\$\$SLOTS^SDMAPI1(.RETURN,SC)

Input Parameters

.RETURN [Required,Array] Array passed by reference that will receive the data

RETURN(DATE,1) – [String] Availability string

SC [Required,Numeric] Clinic IEN

Output

A Boolean value signaling if the call was successful or not.

Error Codes Returned

None

\$\$FRSTAVBL^SDMAPI1Q - Find first available appointment date

This extrinsic function finds the first available appointment date for a clinic.

Format

\$\$FRSTAVBL^SDMAPI1(.RETURN,SC)

Input Parameters

.RETURN [Required,DateTime] Passed by reference, set to the first available date.

SC [Required,Numeric] Clinic IEN

Output

A Boolean value signaling if the call was successful or not.

Error Codes Returned

None

\$\$GETAPTS^SDMAPI1Q - Get patient appointments

This extrinsic function returns a list of patient appointments.

Format

\$\$GETAPTS^SDMAPI1(.RETURN,DFN,SD)

Input Parameters

.RETURN [Required] Array passed by reference that will receive the data

RETURN("APT",DT," APPOINTMENT DATE/TIME") – [DateTime] Date of appointment

RETURN("APT",DT," APPOINTMENT TYPE") – [Numeric] Type of appointment (pointer to APPOINTMENT TYPE file)

RETURN("APT",DT," APPT. CANCELLED") – [Numeric] Clinic in which the patient had a scheduled appointment which was cancelled to set this appointment

RETURN("APT",DT," CANCELLATION REASON") – [Numeric] Cancellation reason (pointer to CANCELLATION REASONS file)

RETURN("APT",DT," CANCELLATION REMARKS") – [String] Cancellation remarks

RETURN("APT",DT,"CLINIC") – [Numeric] Clinic

RETURN("APT",DT," COLLATERAL VISIT") – [Boolean] Collateral visit

RETURN("APT",DT," CURRENT STATUS") – [String] Current status of appointment

RETURN("APT",DT," DATA ENTRY CLERK") – [Numeric] User who made appointment

RETURN("APT",DT," PURPOSE OF VISIT") – [Numeric] Type of appointment

RETURN("APT",DT," STATUS") – [String] Appointment status

DFN [Required,Numeric] Patient IEN

SD [Optional,DateTime] – if not set returns all patient appointments.

- If SD is set to a valid date-time returns the corresponding appointment.
- If SD(0) is set (0/1) returns patient appointments before/after specified date (SD).

Output

A Boolean value signaling if the call was successful or not.

Error Codes Returned

None

\$\$HASPEND^SDMAPI1() – Check if patient has pending appointments

This extrinsic function verifies if a patient has pending appointments.

Format

\$\$HASPEND^SDMAPI1(.RETURN,DFN,DT)

Input Parameters

.RETURN [Required,Boolean] Set to 1 if the patient has pending appointments, 0 otherwise

DFN [Required,Numeric] Patient IEN

DT [Required,DateTime] Start date

Output

A Boolean value signaling if the call was successful or not.

Error Codes Returned

PATNFND Patient not found.

\$\$GETPEND^SDMAPI1() - Return patient pending appointments

This extrinsic function returns a list of patient pending appointments.

Format

\$\$GETPEND^SDMAPI1(.RETURN,DFN,DT)

Input Parameters

.RETURN	[Required,Array] Array passed by reference that will receive the data
	RETURN(APPTDT," APPOINTMENT TYPE") – [Numeric] Type of appointment
	RETURN(APPTDT," CLINIC") – [Numeric] Clinic
	RETURN(APPTDT," COLLATERAL VISIT") – [Boolean] Collateral visit
	RETURN(APPTDT," CONSULT LINK") – [Numeric]
	RETURN(APPTDT," EKG DATE/TIME") – [DateTime]
	RETURN(APPTDT," LAB DATE/TIME") – [DateTime]
	RETURN(APPTDT," LENGTH OF APP'T") – [Numeric] Length of appointment
	RETURN(APPTDT," X-RAY DATE/TIME") – [DateTime]
DFN	[Required,Numeric] Patient IEN
DT	[Required,DateTime] Start date

Output

A Boolean value signaling if the call was successful or not.

Error Codes Returned

None

2.2 Appointment management API

\$\$MAKE^SDMAPI2() - Make appointment

This extrinsic function creates a new appointment.

Format

\$\$MAKE^SDMAPI2(.RETURN,DFN,SC,SD,TYPE,STYP,LEN,SRT,OTHR,CIO,LAB,XRAY,EKG,RQXRAY,CON
S,LVL)

Input Parameters

.RETURN	[Required,Boolean] Set to 1 if the update succeeded, 0 otherwise
	RETURN(0) – [String] Error code^Text^Level (1 for error, 2 for warning, 3 for warning)
DFN	[Required,Numeric] Patient IEN
SC	[Required,Numeric] Clinic IEN
SD	[Required,DateTime] Appointment date
TYPE	[Required,Numeric] Purpose of visit (drawn from the Appointment Types list – see \$\$LSTAPPT^SDMAPI1)

STYP	[Required,Numeric] Sub-category associated with this appointment (one of the codes returned by LSTSBCTG^DGSAAPI)
LEN	[Required,Numeric] Appointment length in minutes.
SRT	[Required,String] Scheduling request type (one of the codes returned by LSTSRT^SDMAPI1)
OTHR	[Optional,String] Any other tests ordered in association with the appointment
CIO	[Optional,String] If set to "CI" the appointment will be checked-in.
LAB	[Optional,DateTime] If this patient is scheduled for laboratory tests in conjunction with this appointment, set LAB to the date/time the patient should report to the lab for these tests.
XRAY	[Optional,DateTime] If this patient is scheduled for laboratory tests in conjunction with this appointment, set LAB to the date/time the patient should report to the lab for these tests.
EKG	[Optional,DateTime] If this patient is scheduled for laboratory tests in conjunction with this appointment, set LAB to the date/time the patient should report to the lab for these tests.
RQXRAY	[Optional,Boolean] Set to 1 if x-ray films are required for this appointment.
CONS	[Optional,Numeric] Consult associated with this appointment (pointer to Request/Consultation file).
LVL	[Optional,Numeric] Forces appointment creation if it is set to 1, otherwise will throw an error if the patient has an active appointment on same time, or on same day, or a canceled appointment on same time, or there are no open slots.

Output

A Boolean value signaling if the call was successful or not.

Error Codes Returned

PATDIED	PATIENT HAS DIED.
APTPAB	Appointment date is prior to the patient's date of birth.
APTPCLA	Appointment date is prior to the clinic's availability date.
APTCLUV	There is no available slot for this date/time.
APTEXCD	EXCEEDS MAXIMUM DAYS FOR FUTURE APPOINTMENT!!
APTSHOL	HOLIDAY??
APTPAHA	PATIENT ALREADY HAS APPOINTMENT ... THEN.
APTPHSD	PATIENT ALREADY HAS APPOINTMENT ON THE SAME DAY ...
APTPPCP	THIS TIME WAS PREVIOUSLY CANCELLED BY THE PATIENT ...
APTOVBK	OVERBOOK!

APTOVOS	THAT TIME IS NOT WITHIN SCHEDULED PERIOD!
APTOAPD	ONLY ... OVERBOOK PER DAY!!
APTCBCP	CAN'T BOOK WITHIN A CANCELLED TIME PERIOD
APTNOST	NO OPEN SLOTS THEN

\$\$MAKEUS^SDMAPI2() – Make unscheduled appointment

This extrinsic function creates a new unscheduled appointment.

Format

\$\$MAKEUS^SDMAPI2(.RETURN,DFN,SC,SD,TYP,STYP)

Input Parameters

.RETURN	[Required,Boolean] Set to 1 if the update succeeded, 0 otherwise RETURN(0) – [String] Error code^Text^Level (1 for error, 2 for warning, 3 for warning)
DFN	[Required,Numeric] Patient IEN
SC	[Required,Numeric] Clinic IEN
SD	[Required,DateTime] Appointment date
TYP	[Required,Numeric] Purpose of visit
STYP	[Required,Numeric] Sub-category associated with this appointment (one of the codes returned by LSTSBCTG^DGSAAPI)

Output

A Boolean value signaling if the call was successful or not.

Error Codes Returned

PATDIED	PATIENT HAS DIED.
APTCINV	Clinic is scheduled to be inactivated on ...

\$\$CANCEL^SDMAPI2() - Cancel appointment

This extrinsic function cancels an existing appointment.

Format

\$\$CANCEL^SDMAPI2(.RETURN,DFN,SC,SD,TYP,RSN,RMK)

Input Parameters

.RETURN	[Required,Boolean] Set to 1 if the update succeeded, 0 otherwise RETURN(0) – [String] Error code^Text^Level (1 for error, 2 for warning, 3 for warning)
DFN	[Required,Numeric] Patient IEN
SC	[Required,Numeric] Clinic IEN

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SD	[Required,DateTime] Appointment date
TYP	[Required,String] Status (one of the codes returned by LSTAPPST^SDMAPI1)
RSN	[Required,Numeric] Cancellation reason (one of the codes returned by LSTCRSNS^SDMAPI1)
RMK	[Optional,String] Remarks

Output

A Boolean value signaling if the call was successful or not.

Error Codes Returned

APTCAND	Appointment already cancelled
APTCCHO	Appointment has a check out date and cannot be cancelled.
APTCRGT	Appt. ... NOT CANCELLED. Access to this clinic is restricted to only privileged users!
APTCNPE	You cannot cancel this appointment.

\$\$NOSHOW^SDMAPI2() - Mark appointment as no-show

This extrinsic function marks an existing appointment as no-show.

Format

\$\$NOSHOW^SDMAPI2(.RETURN,DFN,SC,SD,LVL)

Input Parameters

.RETURN	[Required,Boolean] Set to 1 if the update succeeded, 0 otherwise
DFN	[Required,Numeric] Patient IEN
SC	[Required,Numeric] Clinic IEN
SD	[Required,DateTime] Appointment date
LVL	[Optional,Boolean] Forces appointment creation if it is set to 1, otherwise will throw an error if any of the checks failed

Output

A Boolean value signaling if the call was successful or not.

Error Codes Returned

None

\$\$CHECKIN^SDMAPI2() - Check in appointment

This extrinsic function checks in an existing appointment.

Format

\$\$CHECKIN^SDMAPI2(.RETURN,DFN,SD,SC,CIDT)

Input Parameters

.RETURN	[Required,Boolean] Set to 1 if the check in succeeded, 0 otherwise
	RETURN(0) – [String] Error code^Text^Level (1 for error, 2 for warning, 3 for warning)
DFN	[Required,Numeric] Patient IEN
SD	[Required,DateTime] Appointment date
SC	[Required,Numeric] Clinic IEN
CIDT	[Optional,DateTime] Date and time the patient was checked in for the appointment

Output

A Boolean value signaling if the call was successful or not.

Error Codes Returned

APTCIPE	You cannot check in this appointment.
APTCITS	It is too soon to check in this appointment.

\$\$CHECKO^SDMAPI4() - Check out appointment

This extrinsic function checks out an existing appointment.

Format

\$\$CHECKO^SDMAPI2(.RETURN,DFN,SD,SC)

Input Parameters

.RETURN	[Required,Boolean] Set to 1 if the check-in succeeded, 0 otherwise
	RETURN(0) – [String] Error code^Text^Level (1 for error, 2 for warning, 3 for warning)
DFN	[Required,Numeric] Patient IEN
SD	[Required,DateTime] Appointment date
SC	[Required,Numeric] Clinic IEN

Output

A Boolean value signaling if the call was successful or not.

Error Codes Returned

APTCOTS	It is too soon to check out this appointment.
APTCOCN	You cannot check out this appointment.
APTCOAC	Appointment already checked out

\$\$DELCO^SDMAPI4() - Delete check out

This extrinsic function deletes an existing appointment check out.

Format

\$\$DELCO^SDMAPI4(.RETURN,DFN,SD)

Input Parameters

.RETURN [Required,Boolean] Set to 1 if the check in succeeded, 0 otherwise

RETURN(0) – [String] Error code^Text^Level (1 for error, 2 for warning, 3 for warning)

DFN [Required,Numeric] Patient IEN

SD [Required,DateTime] Appointment date

Output

A Boolean value signaling if the call was successful or not.

Error Codes Returned

APTDCOD The appointment must have a check out date/time to delete.

2.3 Vocabularies API**\$\$GETAPPT^SDMAPI1() - Get Appointment Type details**

This extrinsic function returns detailed information about an appointment type.

Format

\$\$GETAPPT^SDMAPI1(.RETURN,TYPE)

Input Parameters

.RETURN [Required,Array] Array passed by reference that will receive the data.

RETURN("NAME") – [String] Appointment type name

RETURN("NUMBER") – [Numeric] Appointment type IEN

RETURN("SYNONIM") – [String] Appointment type synonym

TYPE [Required,Numeric] Appointment type IEN (File 409.1)

Output

A Boolean value signaling if the call was successful or not.

Error Codes Returned

None

\$\$GETELIG^SDMAPI1() - Return Eligibility Code details

This extrinsic function returns detailed information about an eligibility code.

Format

\$\$GETELIG^SDMAPI1(.RETURN,ELIG)

Input Parameters

.RETURN [Required,Array] Array passed by reference that will receive the data

RETURN("ABBREVIATION")	[String] Eligibility Code abbreviation
RETURN("MAS ELIGIBILITY CODE")	[Numeric]
RETURN("NAME")	[String] Eligibility Code name
RETURN("PRINT NAME")	[String] Eligibility Code print name
RETURN("TYPE")	[String] Eligibility Code type (N:NON VETERAN,Y:VETERAN)
RETURN("VA CODE NUMBER")	[Numeric] VA Code Number
RETURN("INACTIVE")	[Boolean] Eligibility Code status
ELIG	[Required,Numeric] Eligibility code IEN

Output

A Boolean value signaling if the call was successful or not.

Error Codes Returned

None

\$\$LSTAPPT^SDMAPI1() - List appointment types filtered by name

This extrinsic function returns a list of appointment types. The list can be filtered by name.

Format

\$\$LSTAPPT^SDMAPI1(.RETURN,SEARCH,START,NUMBER)

Input Parameters

.RETURN	[Required,Array] Array passed by reference that will receive the data
	RETURN(0) – [String] # of entries found^maximum requested^any more?^flags (consistent with LIST^DIC header node)
	RETURN(,"ID") – [Numeric] Appointment type IEN
	RETURN(,"NAME") – [String] Appointment type name
SEARCH	[Optional,String] Partial match restriction. Default: All entries
START	[Optional,Numeric] The appointment type name from which to begin the list. Default: ""
NUMBER	[Optional,Numeric] Number of entries to return. Default: All entries

Output

A Boolean value signaling if the call was successful or not.

Error Codes Returned

None

\$\$LSTAPPST^SDMAPI1() - List appointment statuses

This extrinsic function returns a list of appointment status codes.

Format

\$\$LSTAPPST^SDMAPI1(.RETURN)

Input Parameters

.RETURN [Required,Array] Array passed by reference that will receive the data

RETURN(0) – [Numeric] # of entries found

RETURN(#) – [String] code^display_name

Output

A Boolean value signaling if the call was successful or not.

Error Codes Returned

None

\$\$LSTHLTP^SDMAPI1() - List hospital location types

This extrinsic function returns a list of hospital location types.

Format

\$\$LSTHLTP^SDMAPI1(.RETURN)

Input Parameters

.RETURN [Required,Array] Array passed by reference that will receive the data

RETURN(0) – [Numeric] # of entries found

RETURN(#) – [String] code^display_name

Output

A Boolean value signaling if the call was successful or not.

Error Codes Returned

None

\$\$LSTCRSNS^SDMAPI1() - List cancellation reasons filtered by name

This extrinsic function returns a list of cancellation reasons. The list can be filtered by name.

Format

\$\$LSTCRSNS^SDMAPI1(.RETURN,SEARCH,START,NUMBER)

Input Parameters

.RETURN [Required,Array] Array passed by reference that will receive the data

RETURN(0) – [String] # of entries found^maximum requested^any more?^flags

(consistent with LIST^DIC header node)

	RETURN(,"ID") – [Numeric] Cancellation reason IEN
	RETURN(,"NAME") – [String] Cancellation reason name
SEARCH	[Optional,String] Partial match restriction. Default: All entries
START	[Optional,Numeric] The entry from which to begin the list. Default: ""
NUMBER	[Optional,Numeric] Number of entries to return. Default: All entries

Output

A Boolean value signaling if the call was successful or not.

Error Codes Returned

None

\$\$LSTSRT^SDMAPI() - List scheduling request types

This extrinsic function returns a list of scheduling request types. The list can be filtered by name.

Format

\$\$LSTSRT^SDMAPI(.RETURN)

Input Parameters

.RETURN [Required,Array] Array passed by reference that will receive the data

RETURN(0) – [Numeric] # of entries found

RETURN(#) – [String] code^display_name

Output

A Boolean value signaling if the call was successful or not.

Error Codes Returned

None

\$\$LSTSBCTG^DGSAAPI() - List sharing agreement sub-categories filtered by name

This extrinsic function returns a list of sharing agreement sub-categories. The list can be filtered by name.

Format

\$\$LSTSBCTG^DGSAAPI (.RETURN,SEARCH,START,NUMBER)

Input Parameters

.RETURN [Required,Array] Array passed by reference that will receive the data

RETURN(0) – [Numeric] # of entries found

RETURN(#) – [String] IEN^name

SEARCH [Optional,String] Partial match restriction. Default: All entries

START	[Optional,Numeric] The entry from which to begin the list. Default: ""
NUMBER	[Optional,Numeric] Number of entries to return. Default: All entries

Output

A Boolean value signaling if the call was successful or not.

Error Codes Returned

None

2.4 Electronic Wait List API

\$\$LIST^SDWLAPI1() - List EWL entries for patient

This extrinsic function returns the list of a patient EWL entries.

Format

\$\$LIST^SDWLAPI1(.RETURN,DFN,STATUS,BEGIN,END)

Input Parameters

.RETURN	[Required,Numeric] Array passed by reference that will receive the data
RETURN	[Numeric] # of entries found
RETURN(,"DISPTYPE")	[String]Disposition type
RETURN(,"IEN")	[Numeric]EWL entry IEN
RETURN(,"INSTITUTION")	[Numeric]Institution
RETURN(,"ORIGDT")	[DateTime] Originating date
RETURN(,"PRIORITY")	[String] Priority (A:ASAP,F:FUTURE)
RETURN(,"STATUS")	[String] Status (O:OPEN,C:CLOSED)
RETURN(,"WAITFOR")	[Numeric] Pointer to Team/Position/Specialty/Clinic depending on Wait List Type
RETURN(,"WLTYPE")	[Numeric] Wait List Type
DFN	[Required,Numeric] Patient IEN
STATUS	[Optional,String] EWL entry status (O=Open, C=Closed, ""=Both). Default ""
BEGIN	[Optional,DateTime] Start date
END	[Optional,DateTime] End date

Output

A Boolean value signaling if the call was successful or not.

Error Codes Returned

INVPARAM Invalid parameter value

PATNFND Patient not found.

\$\$DETAIL^SDWLAPI1() – Wait List entry detailed information

This extrinsic function returns detailed information for a EWL entry

Format

\$\$DETAIL^SDWLAPI1(.RETURN,IEN)

Input Parameters

.RETURN [Required] Array passed by reference that will receive the data

RETURN("APPTCLERK")	[Numeric] Who made the appointment
RETURN("APPTCLIN")	[Numeric] Appointment clinic
RETURN("APPTCREDSC")	[Numeric] Appointment credit stop code
RETURN("APPTDATE")	[DateTime] Date appointment made
RETURN("APPTINST")	[Numeric] Appointment institution
RETURN("APPTSC")	[Numeric] Appointment stop code
RETURN("APPTSCHED")	[DateTime] Scheduled date of appointment
RETURN("APPTSN")	[String] Appointment station number
RETURN("APPTSTATUS")	[String] Appointment status
RETURN("CHDCLINP")	[Numeric] Changed clinic parent pointer
RETURN("CMNTS")	[String] Comment
RETURN("DISPBY")	[Numeric] Dispositioned by
RETURN("DISPDT")	[DateTime] Date dispositioned
RETURN("DISPTYPE")	[String] Disposition
RETURN("DNRCMT")	[String] Do not remove comment
RETURN("DNRDT")	[DateTime] Do not remove date
RETURN("DNRRSN")	[String] Do not remove reason
RETURN("DNRUSR")	[Numeric] User entering no remove

RETURN("DSRDDT")	[DateTime] Desired date of appointment
RETURN("ENTEREDBY")	[Numeric] Originating user
RETURN("INSTITUTION")	[Numeric] Institution
RETURN("ORIGDT")	[DateTime] Originating date
RETURN("PATIENT")	[Numeric] Patient
RETURN("PRIORITY")	[String] Priority
RETURN("PROVIDER")	[Numeric] Provider
RETURN("REOPENCMT")	[String] Reopen comment
RETURN("REOPENRSN")	[String] Reopen reason
RETURN("REQBY")	[Numeric] Request by
RETURN("SCPRIORITY")	[Boolean] Service connected priority
RETURN("STATUS")	[String] Status
RETURN("WAITFOR")	[Numeric] Pointer to Team/Position/Specialty/Clinic depending on Wait List Type
RETURN("WLTYPE")	[Numeric] Wait List Type
IEN	[Required,Numeric] EWL entry IEN

Output

A Boolean value signaling if the call was successful or not.

Error Codes Returned

None

\$\$NEW^SDWLAPI1Q – Add new EWL entry

This extrinsic function creates a new EWL entry

Format

\$\$NEW^SDWLAPI1(.RETURN,.SDWLD)

Input Parameters

.RETURN [Required,Numeric] Will return the new IEN if the call succeeded, 0 otherwise

.SDWLD [Required,Array] Array containing the data to be saved

SDWLD("WLTYPE") [Numeric] Wait List Type

SDWLD("PATIENT") [Numeric] Patient

SDWLD("INSTITUTION") [Numeric] Institution

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SDWLD("WAITFOR")	[Numeric] Pointer to Team/Position/Specialty/Clinic depending on Wait List Type
SDWLD("PRIORITY")	[String] Priority
SDWLD("REQBY")	[Numeric] Request by
SDWLD("PROVIDER")	[Numeric] Provider
SDWLD("SCPRCNT")	[Numeric] Service connected percentage
SDWLD("SCPRIORITY")	[Boolean] Service connected priority
SDWLD("DSRDDT")	[DateTime] Desired date of appointment
SDWLD("CMNTS")	[String] Comments
SDWLD("ENRSTAT")	[String] EWL enrollee status
SDWLD("ENRDU")	[DateTime] EWL enrollee date used
SDWLD("ENRDF")	[String] EWL enrollee database file
SDWLD("TICKLER")	[Boolean] Scheduling reminder flag
SDWLD("CHDCLINP")	[Numeric] Changed clinic parent pointer

Output

A Boolean value signaling if the call was successful or not.

Error Codes Returned

None

\$\$UPDATE^SDWLAPI1() – Update EWL entry

This extrinsic function returns a list of cancellation reasons. The list can be filtered by name.

Format

\$\$UPDATE^SDWLAPI1(.RETURN,SDWLIEN,.SDWLD)

Input Parameters

.RETURN	[Required,Boolean] Set to 1 if the the update succeeded, 0 otherwise
SDWLIEN	[Required,Numeric] IEN of the EWL entry to be updated
.SDWLD	[Required,Array] Array containing the data to be saved
SDWLD("WLTYPE")	[Numeric] Wait List Type
SDWLD("INSTITUTION")	[Numeric] Institution
SDWLD("WAITFOR")	[Numeric] Pointer to Team/Position/Specialty/Clinic depending on Wait List Type

SDWLD("PRIORITY")	[String] Priority
SDWLD("REQBY")	[Numeric] Request by
SDWLD("PROVIDER")	[Numeric] Provider
SDWLD("SCPRCNT")	[Numeric] Service connected percentage
SDWLD("SCPRIORITY")	[Boolean] Service connected priority
SDWLD("DSRDDT")	[DateTime] Desired date of appointment
SDWLD("CMNTS")	[String] Comments
SDWLD("ENRSTAT")	[String] EWL enrollee status
SDWLD("REJECTED")	[Boolean] Rejection flag
SDWLD("TICKLER")	[Boolean] Scheduling reminder flag
SDWLD("INTRATF")	[Boolean] Intra-transfer flag
SDWLD("MULTITEAM")	[Boolean] Multi team flag

Output

A Boolean value signaling if the call was successful or not.

Error Codes Returned

None

\$\$DISP^SDWLAPI1() – Disposition entry

This extrinsic function update the disposition data for an EWL entry.

Format

\$\$DISP^SDWLAPI1(.RETURN,SDWLDFN,SDWLIEN,SDWLDISP,.SDWLAPPT)

Input Parameters

.RETURN	[Required,Boolean] Set to 1 if the update succeeded, 0 otherwise
SDWLDFN	[Required,Numeric] Patient IEN
SDWLIEN	[Required,Numeric] EWL entry IEN
SDWLDISP	[Required,String] Disposition type (D:DEATH, NC:REMOVED/NON-VA CARE, SA:REMOVED/SCHEDULED-ASSIGNED, CC:REMOVED/VA CONTRACT CARE, NN:REMOVED/NO LONGER NECESSARY, ER:ENTERED IN ERROR, TR:TRANSFERRED)
.SDWLAPPT	[Optional,Array] Array containing appointment data (saved if disposition type is "SA")

Output

A Boolean value signaling if the call was successful or not.

Error Codes Returned

None

\$\$DELETE^SDWLAPI1Q – Delete EWL entry

This extrinsic function deletes an existing EWL entry

Format

\$\$DELETE^SDWLAPI1(.RETURN,SDWLIEN)

Input Parameters

.RETURN [Required,Boolean] Set to 1 if the delete succeeded, 0 otherwise

SDWLIEN [Required,Numeric] EWL entry IEN

Output

A Boolean value signaling if the call was successful or not.

Error Codes Returned

None

\$\$HASENTRY^SDWLAPI1Q – Patient is on EW List?

This extrinsic function checks if patient has entries on the Electronic Wait List

Format

\$\$HASENTRY^SDWLAPI1(.RETURN,DFN)

Input Parameters

.RETURN [Required,Boolean] Set to 1 if the patient has EWL entries on file, 0 otherwise

DFN [Required,Numeric] Patient IEN.

Output

A Boolean value signaling if the call was successful or not.

Error Codes Returned

None

3. GLOSSARY

IEN Internal Entry Number. The number used to identify an entry within a file. Every record has a unique internal entry number. Often abbreviated as IEN.

STOP CODE A three-digit number corresponding to an additional stop/service a patient received in conjunction with a clinic visit.
Stop code entries are used so that medical facilities may receive credit for the services rendered during a patient visit.

4. How to use the code

API

The APIs presented in this paper cover most of the functionality found in the Appointment Management menu option. They follow a consistent calling convention that allows for returning rich error messages from the called routines, making them suitable as an interface to be used by external applications.

Assumed Variables

The only assumed variables used in this API are Kernel variables documented in section 2.3.1.3.2 of the SAC. In this version the following assumed variables were used: DUZ,DT,U

Format and conventions of the calls

The conventions used in this API are very similar to those enforced by the RPC Broker. Every tag has at least one parameter, passed by reference that will hold the result of the call. Every function returns a Boolean to signal if the processing was successful or not.

If the return value is 0, the first parameter (RETURN) will be structured as an array containing the errors encountered, numbered from 0 to the error count. The errors have the following form:

ErrorId^Message

Example

INVPARAM^Invalid parameter value – SDWLDFN

5. Installation

Along with this paper a KID Host File is provided. The steps required to install the distribution are outlined below:

1. From the *Systems Manager Menu* select *Programmer Options...*
2. Select *Kernel Installation & Distribution System*
3. Select *Installation*
4. Select *Load a Distribution*
5. Enter the host file path, for example C:\SD_5.3_260003.KID and load the distribution.
6. Use the *Install Package(s)* option and select SD*5.3*260003
7. When prompted *Want KIDS to Rebuild Menu Trees Upon Completion of Install?* Respond NO
8. When prompted *Want KIDS to INHIBIT LOGONs during the install?* Respond NO
9. When prompted *Want to DISABLE Scheduled Options, Menu Options, and Protocols?* Respond NO

6. Conclusions

This paper presented a set of APIs developed as part of the Open Source HER refactoring effort. They are meant to be used by both scroll & roll interface and RPC tags and to be accessible by other packages and applications. Also they should remove direct global access, uncouple the business logic from the user interface elements and minimize code duplication.